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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR ELECTION OF SPECIES

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 9, 2006, Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, the species of Group II, claims 6 - 14, as identified by the Examiner for further prosecution. All claims are considered to be generic to the species identified by the Examiner and readable on the elected species.

No amendments to the application are currently presented.

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